(भारी उद्योग विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्रीमती कृष्णा साही) : (क) आर्थिक सुधारों की घोषणा के बाद निम्नलिखित देशों के उद्योगपतियों के प्रतिनिधिमंडल भारत आए हैं :—बेल्जियम, सऊदी अरब, कतर, स्विट्जरलैंड, मौरीशस, नाइजीरिया, अमरीका, कनाडा, मैक्सिको, ताइवान, पूर्तगाल, कोरिया, श्रीलंका, बंगलादेश, वियतनाम, जापान, दक्षिण अफ्रीका, इथियोपिया, आस्ट्रिया, जर्मनी, रोमानिया, यू. के., यूगोस्लाव रिप. आफ बोसानिया एण्ड हर्जेगोविना, फ्रांस, स्पेन, हंगरी, इजराइल, रूस, इटली, स्वीडन, नीदरलैंड, आस्ट्रेलिया, चीन, सिंगापुर, न्यूजीलैंड, चैकोस्लोवाकिया, सैंट्रल एशियन रिपब्लिक, फिलीपीन्स, लक्जमबर्ग, आइवरी कोस्ट ।

(ख) से (घ) भारत सरकार ने अगस्त, 1991 से जनवरी, 1993 तक विदेशी कम्पनियों के साथ 2237 विदेशी सहयोग संबंधी मामलों का अनुमोदन किया है । इन अनुमोदनों में 929 ऐसे मामले शामिल हैं जिनमें 51.11 बिलियन रुपए की विदेशी इक्विटी की भागीदारी निहित है ।

Production of two-wheelers and four wheeler

1274. DR. RAMENDRA KUMAR YADAV RAVI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the production of two wheelers and four wheelers has declined during the April-September, 1992 vis-a-vis their production during April-September, 1991;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for decline in production; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government to help the automobile Industry ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) and (b) The production of two-wheelers and four wheelers except jeeps have declined during April-September, 1992 as compared to the corresponding period of 1991 as will be borne out by he producion figures for two-wheelers & four wheelers given below :

	Production (April—September)	
	1991—92	1992—93
1. Jeeps	13570	18838
2. Cars	90808	73933
3. Commercial Vehicles	70135	53736
4. Two-wheelers	878034	690889

(c) The fall in production can be attributed to decline in demand resulting from high credit costs, increase in prices due to increased input costs, reduction in rate of depreciation for customers on cars, enhancement of excise duty on two wheelers and tight credit availability.

(d) Government has since taken remedial action by relaxation of import compression measures, reduction of excise duty on cars lowering of floor level rate of interest etc.

Infrastructure of Indian Industry

1275. DR. SANJAYA SINGH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the country's infrastructure sector is continuing to be well below the target during the first eight months of the current financial year;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what remedial steps Government propose to take in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) and (b) A statement is enclosed (*see* below).

(c) In the Union Budget for 1993-94, several measures have been announced for promotion of the infrastructure sector. These measures include five year tax holiday for private investment in generation & distribution of power, massive increase in Central Plan outlays for infrastructure, reduction of import duty on machinery for power, coal & petroleum refining and on specified raw materials for telecom sector *etc.*

Statement

Progress of Infrastructure Industries during APR-NOV. 1992

Sl. No.	Industry	Unit	April-November	
			1992-93 (Target)	1992-93 (Actual)
1.	Electricity	BU	198.87	195.12
2.	Coal	MT	139.66	135.20
3.	S. Steel	MT	6.65	6.7.3
4.	Crude Petroleum	MT	18.89	18.18
5.	Pet. Refinery PDTS	MT	34.86	35.75
6.	Cement	MT	36.73	35.09
7.	Nitrogeneous Fertilizers	MT	4.95	4.82
8.	Phosphatic Fertilizers	MT	1.82	1.64

BU—Billion Units.
MT—Million Tonnes.

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Software industry as a small scale industry

1278. DR. SANJAYA SINH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to declare software servicing and data processing, including computer graphics as a small scale industry; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) The *software servicing and data processing in*cluding computer graphics has already been recognized as Small Scale Industry.

(b) These units are registerable as Small Scale Industries and are eligible to avail the benefits available to the Small Scale Industry sector.

package of incentives to small scale sector

1279. DR. SANJAYA SINH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to introduce a package of incentives for the small sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) A package of incentives for the small scale sector relates to exemption in excise duty, concessional rate of interest on loans upto Rs. 2 lacs, marketing facility of their products through NSIC and SSIDCs, reservation of items for exclusive manufacture, reservation of items for purchase price preference in purchase from the small scale sector, etc.